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UTILITY COMPLAINT FORM

**Investigator:** Deb Reagan

Phone:



Fax:

**Priority: Respond Within Five Days** 

**Opinion** 

No. 2008

68006

Date: 4/18/2008

**Complaint Description:** 

08A Rate Case Items - Opposed

N/A Not Applicable

First:

Last:

Complaint By:

Vivian

Ridenour

Account Name:

Vivian Ridenour

Home: (000) 000-0000

Street:

n/a

Work:

City:

Sun City

CBR:

State:

ΑZ **Zip:** 85351 is:

**Utility Company.** 

Arizona - American Water Company

Division:

Water

**Contact Name:** 

Karl Wilkins

Contact Phone:

### **Nature of Complaint:**

\*\*\*\* W-01303A-07-0209 \*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\* REFERRED FROM CHAIRMAN GLEASON'S OFFICE \*\*\*\*\*

This person called Chairman Gleason's office wanting to leave comments in opposition to the proposed fireflow surcharge in Sun City, AZ. \*End of Complaint\*

**Utilities' Response:** 

### Investigator's Comments and Disposition:

Customer comments entered for the record and with the Docket in this matter.

\*End of Comments\*

Date Completed: 4/18/2008

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Arizona Corporation Commission

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### UTILITY COMPLAINT FORM

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Opinion

No. 2008

68005

Date: 4/18/2008

**Complaint Description:** 

08A Rate Case Items - Opposed

N/A Not Applicable

First:

Last:

**Complaint By:** 

Jean & Art

**Brenn** 

Account Name:

Jean & Art Brenn

Home: (000) 000-0000

Street:

n/a

Work:

City:

Sun City

CBR:

State:

ΑŻ **Zip**: 85351

is:

**Utility Company.** 

**Arizona - American Water Company** 

Division:

Water

Contact Name:

Karl Wilkins

Contact Phone: (623) 815-3107

### **Nature of Complaint:**

\*\*\*\*\* W-01303A-07-0209 \*\*\*\*\*

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### **Utilities' Response:**

### **Investigator's Comments and Disposition:**

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Date Completed: 4/18/2008

<sup>\*\*\*\*\*</sup> REFERRED FROM CHAIRMAN GLEASON'S OFFICE \*\*\*\*\*

<sup>\*</sup>End of Comments\*

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Investigator: Deb Reagan

Phone:



Fax:



**Priority: Respond Within Five Days** 

Opinion

No. 2008

68004

Date: 4/18/2008

**Complaint Description:** 

08A Rate Case Items - Opposed

N/A Not Applicable

First:

Last:

**Complaint By:** 

Eugene

Wengler

**Account Name:** 

**Eugene Wengler** 

Home: (000) 000-0000

Street:

n/a

Work:

City:

Sun City

CBR:

State:

ΑZ

**Zip**: 85351

is:

**Utility Company.** 

**Arizona - American Water Company** 

**Division:** 

Water

Contact Name:

Karl Wilkins

Contact Phone:

### **Nature of Complaint:**

\*\*\*\* W-01303A-07-0209 \*\*\*\*\*

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This person called Chairman Gleason's office wanting to leave comments in opposition to the proposed fireflow surcharge in Sun City, AZ. \*End of Complaint\*

### **Utilities' Response:**

### **Investigator's Comments and Disposition:**

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\*End of Comments\*

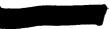
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### ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

### **UTILITY COMPLAINT FORM**

Investigator: Deb Reagan

Phone:



Fax:

Home: (000) 000-0000



**Priority: Respond Within Five Days** 

**Opinion** 

No. 2008

68007

Date: 4/18/2008

**Complaint Description:** 

08A Rate Case Items - Opposed

N/A Not Applicable

First:

Last:

**Complaint By:** 

**Albert** 

Wells

**Account Name:** 

Albert Wells

Work:

Street:

n/a

ΑZ

City: State: Sun City

**Zip:** 85351

CBR: is:

**Utility Company.** 

Arizona - American Water Company

**Division:** 

Electric

**Contact Name:** 

Karl Wilkins

Contact Phone:



### **Nature of Complaint:**

\*\*\*\*\* W-01303A-07-0209 \*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\* REFERRED FROM CHAIRMAN GLEASON'S OFFICE \*\*\*\*\*

This person called Chairman Gleason's office wanting to leave comments in opposition to the proposed fireflow surcharge in Sun City, AZ.

\*End of Complaint\*

### **Utilities' Response:**

### **Investigator's Comments and Disposition:**

Customer comments entered for the record and with the Docket in this matter.

\*End of Comments\*

Date Completed: 4/18/2008

W-61363A-67-62009

### ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

### **UTILITY COMPLAINT FORM**

**Investigator:** Alaina Braddy

Phone:

Fax:

**Priority: Respond Within Five Days** 

**Opinion** 

No. 2008 - 68003

Date: 4/18/2008

**Complaint Description:** 

08A Rate Case Items - Opposed

N/A Not Applicable

First:

Last:

Complaint By:

**Myron** 

Noben

**Account Name:** 

Street:

City:

State:

AZ **Z**ip:

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Work:

is:

Home:

CBR:

**Utility Company.** 

**Arizona - American Water Company** 

**Division:** 

Water

**Contact Name:** 

**Contact Phone:** 



**Nature of Complaint:** 

4/18/2008

Email from customer:

Dear Chairman Gleason,

My support favors the position of the Sun City Taxpayers Association requiring AZ-AM to front the investment cost up-front. Also, a equitable arrangement is needed to distribute increased rates to actual locations of fire flow hydrant. One of our main concerns was proper fire protection and it would seem we have already paid for that improvement..

Myron Noben

\*End of Complaint\*

**Utilities' Response:** 

N/A

\*End of Response\*

**Investigator's Comments and Disposition:** 

4/18/2008 Submitted to Docket Control

4/18/2008 Email to customer:

Dear Myron Noben,

### ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

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Your opinion regarding the Arizona American Water Company ("AAWC") rate application and fire flow proposal sent to Chairman Gleason's office has been assigned to me. Your opinion has been placed on file with the Docket Control Center of the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") to be made part of the record. The Commission will take your comments into consideration before a decision is rendered in the AAWC application.

The concerns raised in comments from customers will assist the Commission in the investigation and review of the rate application. The Commission's independent analysis of the utility and its rate request attempts to balance the interest of the utility and its customers. Commission Staff is very sensitive to the burden that high utility rates can place on the consumer, and though constitutionally required to allow a fair return to the utility, does everything within its authority to protect the consumer.

Commission staff appreciates your comments and the interest taken on the proposed rate increase. If you should have any questions relating to this issue, please feel free to call at 1-800-222-7000.

Thank you,

Alaina Braddy
Public Utilities Consumer Analyst
Arizona Corporation Commission
Utilities Division
\*End of Comments\*

Date Completed: 4/18/2008

### ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

### **UTILITY COMPLAINT FORM**

Investigator: Deb Reagan

Phone:

Fax:

**Priority: Respond Within Five Days** 

**Opinion** 

No. 2008

68009

Date: 4/18/2008

**Complaint Description:** 

08A Rate Case Items - Opposed

N/A Not Applicable

First:

Last:

Complaint By:

Vicki

Schordje

**Account Name:** 

Vicki Schordje

Home: (000) 000-0000

Street:

n/a

Work:

City:

Sun City

CBR:

State:

ΑZ

**Zip**: 85351

is:

**Utility Company.** 

Arizona - American Water Company

Division:

Water

Contact Name:

Karl Wilkins

Contact Phone:



### **Nature of Complaint:**

\*\*\*\* W-01303A-07-0209 \*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\* REFERRED FROM CHAIRMAN GLEASON'S OFFICE \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Commissioner Gleason.

I am a full time resident of Sun City. I oppose the Fire Flow Project for the simple reason that it would unfairly burden the citizens of Sun City. The Arizona-American Water company (a privately owned company) wants Sun City residents to pay the greatest cost for the project, even though the Youngtown residents would receive the greatest so called benefits. AZ-AM claims they did a survey and received 2,500 positive responses. No one I've spoken to in Sun City has heard of the survey. We do not want the project nor do we want increases in our water bills...for a service we don't need. Installing unneeded fire hydrants in Sun City is not the answer to Youngtown's problem.

Please do not approve this unneeded project.

Sincerely, Vicki Schordie dvschor@cox.net \*End of Complaint\*

### **Utilities' Response:**

**Investigator's Comments and Disposition:** 

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Responded with the following e-mail -

Thank you for your recent e-mail to the Arizona Corporation Commission. It has been assigned to me for a response. I am a Consumer Analyst in the Utilities Division.

Your e-mail regarding the Arizona American Water Company ("Company") rate case has been placed on file with the Docket Control Center of the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") to be made part of the record. The Commission will consider your comments before a decision is rendered in the Company's application.

The concerns raised in e-mails, letters and phone calls received from customers will assist the Commission in the investigation and review of the rate application. The Commission's independent analysis of the utility and its rate request attempts to balance the interest of the utility and its customers.

Commission Staff is very sensitive to the burden that high utility rates can place on the consumer, and though constitutionally required to allow a fair return to the utility, does everything within its authority to protect the consumer.

Staff appreciates your comments and the interest taken on the proposed rate increase. If you should have any questions relating to this issue, please call me at

Deb Reagan
Public Utilities Consumer Analyst
Utilities Division
AZ Corporation Commission
\*End of Comments\*

Date Completed: 4/18/2008

### **UTILITY COMPLAINT FORM**

Investigator: Carmen Madrid

Phone: (

Fax:

**Priority: Respond Within Five Days** 

**Opinion** 

No. 2008

68032

Date: 4/18/2008

**Complaint Description:** 

08A Rate Case Items - Opposed

N/A Not Applicable

First:

Last:

Complaint By:

Richard & Elizabeth

Murphey

Account Name:

Richard & Elizabeth Murphey

Home: (000) 000-0000

Street:

Work: (000) 000-0000

City: State:

ΑZ

Zip:

CBR: N is:

**Utility Company.** 

Arizona - American Water Company

Division:

Water

**Contact Name:** 

n/a

Contact Phone: n/a

### Nature of Complaint:

From: Richard Murphey [mailt

Sent: Saturday, April 12, 2008 12:30 PM

To: Gleason-WebEmail; Mayes-WebEmail; Mundell-Web; Hatch-WebEmail; Pierce-Web

Subject: Arizona American Water Fire Flow Improvement Project

### **Dear Esteemed Commissioners:**

I admit there are some things I don't know about the project, but I am asking that you deny Arizona-American Water's effort to charge the cost of upgrading the Youngtown Fire Flow Improvement project to those of us in Sun City, Arizona.

#### Discussion:

I have drawn some conclusions from a message from several of the leading volunteer organizations in leadership in Sun City. Some is their information.

Sun City has a capable Fire Department, but responds to VERY FEW fires each year. In fact, one month this winter, they answered only three fire calls of nine hundred total callsthat were actual fires.

I note that Az-Am Water have raised the cost of their project from three million to almost five million in just two years. If their costs have increased that much, how much more difficult will it be for those of us on fixed and limited incomes to pay for this project.

Their planned action would adversely affect those of us who are Condo owners, perhaps more than most.

I ask that you review the Arizona-American Water survey responses for the difference between Youngtown and

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Sun City resident's position.

I am a Homeowner Association Board member, but I speak primarily for myself and my wife in this matter. I am Treasurer of the Bolfor 103 Condo Assn. of Sun City.

There are a number of residents in Sun City who are well to do, but I believe the majority of us are living from month to month on pensions that are limited in annual increases. I know one of mine receives an annual increase, but the other has not in several years. And, Social Security increases about as much as the increase in the cost of Medicare. I know that over recent years, I have apparently been using portions of our savings to live without purchasing new cars and upgrading our home.

I appreciate your difficult position to mediate these matters, but I believe this is a case of the large corporation tramping on the daily lives of residents not affected by the project.

Sincerely,

Richard B. and Elizabeth E. Murphey



\*End of Complaint\*

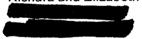
**Utilities' Response:** 

### **Investigator's Comments and Disposition:**

Responded with the following letter via e-mail:

April 18, 2008

Richard and Elizabeth Murphey



Dear Mr. & Mrs Murphey;

Your e-mail comments regarding the Arizona-American Water Company (AAWC) rate case will be placed on file with the Docket Control Center of the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") to be made part of the record. The Commission will consider your comments before a decision is rendered in the AAWC application.

The concerns raised in letters received from customers will assist the Commission in the investigation and review of the rate application. The Commission's independent analysis of the utility and its rate request attempts to balance the interest of the utility and its customers.

Commission Staff is very sensitive to the burden that high utility rates can place on the consumer, and though constitutionally required to allow a fair return to the utility, does everything within its authority to protect the consumer.

Staff appreciates your comments and the interest taken on the proposed rate increase. If you should have any questions relating to this issue, please call me toll free at (800) 222-7000.

Sincerely,

Carmen Madrid

# ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION UTILITY COMPLAINT FORM

Public Utility Consumer Analyst Utilities Division

Filed in Docket No. W-01303A-07-0209 \*End of Comments\*

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